

Windows



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Windows

- Windows can be a way for a burglar to enter a home
- The main interest in securing windows is to eliminate entry by prying open or breaking a small area of glass to reach a single latch



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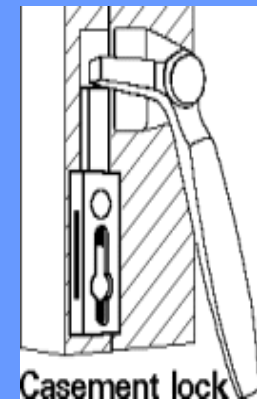
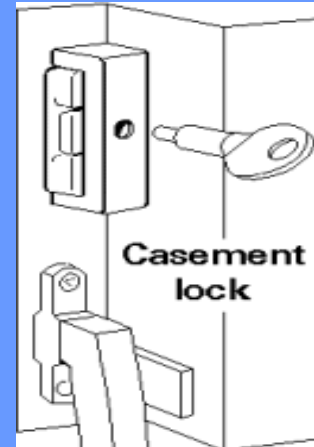
- Double hung windows
- -the most common type of window found in homes
- -Factory locks are easily jammed or pried open
- To secure double window
- -drill a 3/16" hole from inside sash through outside slash at a downward angle
- -insert a nail or pin into the hole

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- Horizontal or sliding glass windows
 - Often fabricated from inexpensive or lightweight materials
 - Locks are similar in quality to the window
 - Sliding windows should be treated much like sliding glass doors

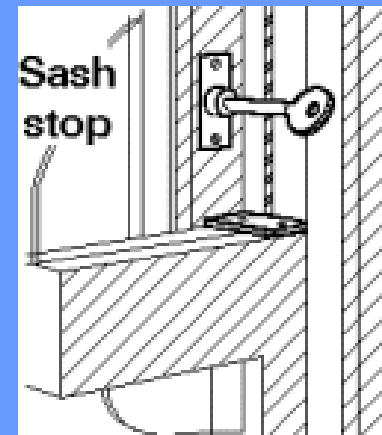
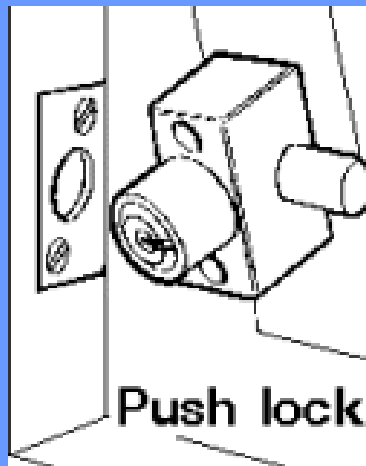
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- Casement, Hopper or Awning windows
 - Locks on these windows may have levers or cranks
 - In most cases locks with these styles are reasonably secure
 - To improve the security of the windows, loosen the set screw in the crank handle and remove crank altogether



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- Basement windows
 - The level of the window makes it difficult to secure and particularly vulnerable to intrusion
 - Bars or straps over the windows would improve the security
 - Better yet, replacing the glass with polycarbonate material gives them extra strength against blows



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